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THE LAST DESERT



Photo by Thiago Diz
Bay St. Louis native John Bezou going uphill in grueling conditions in “The Last Desert” ultramarathon in Antarctica. Bezou is just the 13th American to complete the 4Deserts Grand Slam.

Bezou completes 4 Deserts Grand Slam on Antarctica

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Lieutenant Colonel John Bezou (retired), a Bay St. Louis native, has lived his life seeking out challenges and on December 1, he completed perhaps the most grueling challenge he has ever undertaken when he crossed the finish line in the ultramarathon “The Last Desert” sponsored by Racing The Planet.

This ultramarathon, a 155-mile foot race on the continent of Antarctica, was the final step in a challenge called the



Photo by Thiago Diz
John Bezou, a Bay St. Louis native and 1994 graduate of Saint Stanislaus, with his medal for finishing “The Last Desert” race, his medal for achieving the 4Deserts Grand Slam, and his commemorative cup for completion of the 4Deserts Grand Slam.

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BSL Oyster Drop to ring in the New Year



Echo file photo
Last year’s New Year’s Eve Oyster Drop drew a huge crowd to Old Town Bay St. Louis. This year’s event promises to be even bigger, with more bands and a huge fireworks display.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Old Town Bay St. Louis is gearing up for the third-ever New Year’s Eve Oyster Drop celebration this Saturday at 200 N. Beach Blvd.

People crowded shoulder-to-shoulder in the 100 and 200 blocks of North Beach Boulevard in Bay St. Louis last New Year’s Eve for the second Oyster Drop.

“It was more successful than (the first Oyster Drop) in 2020,” event organizer Jim MacPhaille said. “It was great. The Silver Slipper gave us their stage, King Waste helped us with everything, with Josh DeSalvo and Mike Favre doing the fireworks and everybody had a great time.” “I think it was fantastic. I want to do it every year.”

MacPhaille created the first event to ring in the New Year for 2020, but the New Year’s 2021 event had to be canceled due to the COVID pandemic.

The “oyster” was created by local artist Steve Barney, at MacPhaille’s request.

Barney said the oyster was carved from a 4x8 block of styrofoam with a Sawzall knife.

This year’s event promises to be bigger and better than ever, with more bands — the Dave Mayley Band will be joined this year by Andree and the Giants and Dian Diaz from the Beau Rivage.

For more, call 228-342-1966 or visit www.200NorthBeach.com.

Kristen Tusa is the 2022 recipient of the Hancock County Youth Court’s Christmas Charity Cup

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Last Wednesday, Hancock County Judge Trent Favre presented the 2022 Hancock County Youth Court Christmas Charity Cup to Kristen Tusa.

“This is the opportunity to recognize someone in our community who I think does a lot of work behind the scenes and on the frontline, but never asks for credit for anything, which makes her a great nominee,” Favre said.

The Christmas Charity Cup was established in 2020 to recognize community members who “partner with families and children in different ways to help enrich and better their lives,” Favre said.

The first recipient of the Christmas Charity

Cup was Millie Brignone for her work with “Millie’s Movement,” which is an effort to raise funds to purchase toys for children who are in need.

Last year’s recipient was Connie Lyons, outreach minister for the King’s Kitchen in Bay St. Louis, for her work with the needy and homeless in the community.

Favre said the recipients are nominated and chosen by the youth court’s staff.

Tusa is an educator at St. Stanislaus College in Bay St. Louis and lives in Waveland, Favre said.

“She organizes the youth, the faculty in her school in various civic and philanthropic ministries throughout Hancock County, as well as community and family events for the city of Waveland,” he said.

“She provides dedicated instructional and emotional support to many children and families in Hancock County and demonstrates the many qualities of a community leader, including selflessness, compassion, and generosity all for the people of Hancock County. She has demonstrated to her students and peers the importance of community involvement.”

Tusa said that she has organized the Wavelands Veterans Day parade for the past four years, started Waveland Food Truck Friday about four years ago, and started the Coleman Avenue Fall Fest.

“Through my job at



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo
From left, Hancock County Judge Trent Favre and Kristen Tusa.



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66°

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No Chance of Rain
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Dec 29
69°

Low Temperature 61°F
67% Chance of Rain
Humidity 81%



Dec 30
65°

Low Temperature 61°F
81% Chance of Rain
Humidity 95%



Dec 31
66°

Low Temperature 59°F
71% Chance of Rain
Humidity 95%



Jan 1
66°

Low Temperature 56°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 91%



Jan 2
70°

Low Temperature 64°F
81% Chance of Rain
Humidity 96%



Jan 3
66°

Low Temperature 64°F
89% Chance of Rain
Humidity 98%



Community

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Krewe of Olympus announces 2023 Debutantes

SEA COAST ECHO

Accomplished and extraordinary are just a few words that best describe the Krewe of Olympus' debutantes for the 2023 season. Avery Matheson and Caroline Maillho not only shine academically, but are budding leaders in their community with bright futures. The Krewe is very proud to have these young ladies formally presented during The Grand Ball on January 21st at The Club at Diamondhead.

Avery Claire Matheson is the daughter of Dr. Duncan F. Matheson, IV and Mrs. Karyn F. Matheson, of Diamondhead, MS, and is a senior at Our Lady Academy in Bay St. Louis, MS.

She is a member of the National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta, math honor society. She has served her class as class historian for the past 6 years. Avery



Avery Matheson

serves as a student minister at

Our Lady Academy, and as a Marine Science Intern at St. Stanislaus College. Avery has been a member of the Varsity Volleyball team for five years and served as the team captain this year. She is also a five year member of the Varsity Soccer team at OLA. She has had the honor of helping both teams win a state championship during her time at OLA, and has received multiple awards during



Caroline Maillho

her time at OLA playing sports, including player of the week, and being named to both sports all regional teams and the all star teams.

Avery is a member of Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, and during the year she serves as a volunteer at Camp Rapahope, a camp for children living with, or those that have survived cancer. She serves as a lifeguard and counselor during the summer and at other events throughout the year. Avery

plans to attend Mississippi State University in the fall and plans on pursuing a career as a pediatric oncology nurse.

Avery will be escorted by her father, Dr. Duncan Fairley Matheson, IV.

Caroline Maillho is a lifelong resident of Diamondhead, MS. She is a senior at Our Lady Academy (OLA) in Bay St. Louis, and has served as Class President for the past two years. She is a member of National Honors Society, Mu Alpha Theta Vice President, French Honors Society, and is Vice President for the Crescents Athletic Club. Caroline is currently Co-captain of her Varsity Swim Team, medaled at state in several events, and part of two record-holding relays for OLA. She has been an active part of OLA's soccer program and most recently was chosen to be a member of St. Stanislaus' 2022

homecoming court. Caroline has spent time at the University of MS and University of Southern MS participating in various youth leadership programs.

Caroline routinely volunteers her time with a local hospice agency, church summer camps, and school camps. She also teaches swim lessons and has worked with an area youth group

providing summer swim lessons with her year around swim club. Following graduation, Caroline hopes to attend the University of MS as a part of the Center for Manufacturing Excellence Program, majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Caroline will be escorted by her father, Brant Maillho.

Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 Patriots Pen Medalist Wins VFW District Competition



Photo submitted

Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 Patriot's Pen 2022 medalist Karstyn Altese won the VFW Mississippi District 1 competition. Patriot's Pen is a VFW sponsored youth essay competition giving middle school students an opportunity to write essays expressing their view on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme was "My pledge to veterans." VFW Post 2880 sponsors students from Hancock Middle school. By winning the district completion Karstyn Altese now advances to the state competition. Pictured left to right is VFW District 1 Commander Brittany Morisch, Karstyn Altese, and VFW Post 2880 Jr. Vice Commander Donald Crosby.

The Community CALENDAR

DECEMBER 31
• The New Year's Eve celebration, with an oyster drop and live entertainment, will be held at 200 North Beach.

JANUARY 14
• Come meet the 2023 Captain Longbeard, Lady Claiborne, and their Honor Guard at

Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse's "Mutiny in the Bay" pirate party from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Community Hall, located at 301 Blaize Ave. Adults only community event, heavy hors d'oeuvres, music, and a cash bar. Pirate attire encouraged. For tickets, visit www.mkotsh.com

mkotsh.com and follow MKOTSH on Facebook.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Please keep submissions limited to about 100 words or less. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to cassandra@seacoastecho.com.

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According to the United States code, Title 4, Chapter 1, Subsection 8: "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning."

If you would like to honor a deceased veteran by donating an aged or worn flag to be properly disposed of, you may do so by delivering the flags to our funeral home located on the corner of Necess Avenue and Main Street.

"We pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."



• BEZOU

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4Deserts Grand Slam which is the completion of four ultramarathons on four different continents in one calendar year. Bezou became just the 13th American to claim this ultimate endurance title since its inception in 2008.

The race lasted seven days but the competitors were on a boat for 12 days. Due to the extreme conditions on the archipelago where they competed, the competitors were not allowed, nor could they stay on the island. The competitors and race crew boarded a boat at the tip of Argentina and then crossed the Drake Passage which contains the roughest waters on the planet. The boat navigated the 25-foot seas and once it reached the tip of Antarctica, it stayed within a body of water called the Gerlache Strait. The journey took the boat 2 1/2 days to sail.

Bezou commented, “It is within each of us to do things that we think are difficult. As a person, we need to do things that are hard, things that challenge us. We have to pick things that risk failure because that is the only way we know our limits. People have to take a learning approach to life to risk failure. In failing, we learn so much more than success teaches us. I started this challenge by trying to become only the third American to complete the 4Deserts Grand Slam Plus this year. I did fail but I was able to find success along the way by becoming just the 13th American to complete the 4Deserts Grand Slam since it started in 2008. Even if we fail at something, we can find success. We just have to know where to look.”

Bezou, a 1994 graduate of Saint Stanislaus College and 1998 graduate of the University

of Southern Mississippi, has been training over a year in preparation for this challenge that has taken just over 7 months to complete. He previously completed ultramarathons in Namibia, Republic of Georgia, Chile, and Antarctica.

In the deserts where the competitive ultramarathon stage races take place, there are several factors that have to be taken into consideration by the competitors. The weather and climate are grueling to say the least. It can vary 50 degrees or more between day and night along with wind, rain, snow, humidity and other factors while the competitors have to carry their food and provisions in a pack with them at all times. The physical challenge is the terrain which can be sand dunes, mountain crossings, water hazards, rocky trails along with snow and ice. Finally, the mental approach can be taxing especially when one is on the course. The landscape can be taxing if it doesn’t change or become mind numbingly boring as was the case with Antarctica.

In Antarctica, the race is run on what is called a circuit which is a course marked by bright colored bags arranged in a course of loops and laps. The reason it is run in a manner such as this is due to two main reasons. The first reason is because the continent of Antarctica is heavily regulated, and the second reason is because of the rapid change in weather.

Bezou recalled, “The ultramarathon in Antarctica was the most grueling I have ever undertaken. The physical challenges were most demanding. The terrain and conditions were difficult mainly because of the footing being somewhat treacherous. There was record snowfall for this time of year which meant that the terrain was not as packed as you would like it to be to run. Even though the tempera-

ture was not what many would imagine, it ranged between 25-35 degrees. In fact, it was colder here with this recent blast of cold air than it was in Antarctica because this is the summertime for the South Pole. What made the temperature so difficult was the wind and it was very wet. With the unpacked snow, if you tried to pass someone on the course you could step off into snow that went up to your waist. And, throughout the course, you were either constantly passing someone or being passed yourself.”

Bezou also commented on the course itself stating that the course was different each day depending on where the weather was the most compliant. Other factors with the weather determined when the competitors could run and for how long and it was always subject to change because within a short span of 20-30 minutes the weather could alter an entire day’s plan of action for the race crew. For an athlete, finding a rhythm is essential to competing at a top level. Due to the uncertainty of weather and conditions in this location, it made finding a rhythm incredibly difficult. Bezou stated, “I had to deal with the uncertainties the same as everyone else. The way I approached it was almost like a meditation. I just put my music on and found a rhythm with that and let the rest just come as it did.”

Bezou also talked about how the regulations were taxing on the competition. The continent is heavily regulated environmentally as it is basically an untouched canvas by humanity. Competitors are allowed to carry water and electrolytes, but they cannot carry energy bars in a wrapper, nor can the bars have seeds or nuts. If a competitor had to stop to eat, they had to leave the course and go to a staging area set up where they could consume the

food. The same went for bathroom stops. A competitor cannot relieve themselves on the course. Wildlife also had top priority on the course. If a penguin or other native bird or animal was on the course, the competitors must stop to allow the wildlife to exit the course.

Bezou explained, “I appreciated all the regulations we had to abide by and follow throughout the race. It made you more aware of where you were and what you were doing. It helped bring attention to the fact that we were the visitors in this wild landscape. When we had good weather,

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ELECTION NOTICE

Candidates interested in running for office in the upcoming 2023 elections may pick up qualifying information in the Hancock County Circuit Clerk’s office, 152 Main Street, Suite B, Bay St. Louis, MS. Qualifying begins on January 3, 2023 and will end on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 5 pm.

For more information please call the Circuit Clerk’s office at 228-467-5265.

Kendra Necaise
Hancock County Circuit Clerk

Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector

Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from **January 3, 2023 through March 31, 2023**, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2023** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- A) Warranty deed
- B) Cost of property
- C) Down payment amount
- D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County.
(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)
- E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required
- F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
- G) Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

- A) You became over 65 on or before **January 1, 2023**
- B) You became 100% disabled service Connected veteran on or before **January 1, 2023**
- C) You acquired a new residence
- D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead
- E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

If you have any questions please call
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Photo by Thiago Diz

John Bezou competes on a somewhat clear day in Antarctica and “The Last Desert” ultramarathon. Bezou became just the 13th American to claim the title of 4Deserts Grand Slam.



Photo by Thiago Diz

John Bezou racing on what appears to be the top of the world at, literally, the bottom of the world in Antarctica. He claimed membership in the 4Deserts Grand Slam with the completion of the 7-day race.

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Opinion

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Be kind to your self

Soon, it will be the beginning of a new year once again.

The week between Christmas and New Year's always seems to be a weird one.

Some are coming off that Christmas high, some are feeling a bit of that post-holiday depression, some prolong the Christmas cheer until the new year and others are busily putting together their New Year's resolution lists.

The only thing I miss about this week is the school vacation time. I think that working adults should also get the same amount of time off. But, no, the money train must roll on.

I don't make New Year's resolutions anymore because they are almost always destined to fail. And when they do, it just adds another layer of anxiety that I don't want or need.

While I do like the idea of wanting to better oneself and setting goals, I don't think we should put too much pressure on ourselves to follow a rigid resolution list.

One of the resolutions I always see is weight loss goals. And my Instagram feed is bombarded with sketchy weight loss ads right now.

Yes, losing weight at a healthy pace can be great for your overall health and mind. But, don't fall for those scam ads and products that promise "lose weight fast," and or "get abs in two weeks."

That's not how it works. Losing the majority of my weight was a slow process for me. Yes, that can be frustrating. But, making meaningful diet changes takes time and it also takes a while to nail down an exercise routine and time that works with one's schedule.

I'm still learning how to not beat myself up for not exercising on a certain day or eating too many sweets, like my mom's butter cookies she makes around the holidays. I could eat the whole batch.

But, we have to learn to listen to our bodies, too. If we are too tired or not feeling physically able, then it's okay to rest.

And it's okay to have some days earmarked to eat unhealthy foods.

I rarely eat fast food anymore and I don't drink soft drinks and those were two habits that took some time to unlearn.

Nowadays, when I want to work out, I love this



STAFF COLUMN
by Cassandra Favre

Hancock History: Gainesville

One of the important towns on the distal Pearl River in Hancock County was Gainesville, which is now a ghost town. In his book *Pearl River: Highway to Glory Land*, S.G. Thigpen reports that "Wide, deep, slow flowing Pearl River was the beckoning highway that lured the early pioneers to this undeveloped region so rich in natural resources. Because the wide river made shipping easy and because there were immense quantities of timber along the river, the towns of Pearlinton, Logtown, and Gainesville became important industrial and business communities."

In 1809 the aforementioned town of Gainesville was called "Cottonport" and a young doctor, Dr. Ambrose Gaines, came to this settlement

and fell in love with the location. This spot was on a perfectly level bluff bank with a number of handsome live oak trees. Gaines was a handsome young doctor and saw that the town needed a doctor and saw that the village needed to be organized into a town. Gaines entered a claim and a Spanish land grant was issued in 1810. He promptly named the location "Gaines Bluff." Wisely, Gaines generously gave small parcels of the land to the squatters already there and he then planned a town and sold plots. He gained considerable wealth by selling plots to newcomers. By 1817 Mississippi had become a state and Hancock County was formed. Water transportation was the only practical means of travel and Pearlinton, Gaines-

ville, and Biloxi became the most important ports on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Gainesville and Pearlinton evolved as shipping centers that served the upper Pearl River Valley cotton plantations and New Orleans. Farm products were transported by wagon to Gainesville. Cotton was transported to Pearlinton for ginning. All products that were put on schooners from Gainesville and Pearlinton were shipped to New Orleans. Shieldsboro (Bay St. Louis) retained its own individual character as principally a resort town. Planters from South Carolina began to migrate in large numbers to the upper Pearl River Valley in this time frame of 1820-1850.

In 1837 Gainesville was made the county



HANCOCK HISTORY
by James Keating
M.D.

seat of Hancock County. The Indian village of Center/Caesar proved inconvenient for travel by all the citizens of Hancock County which at that time included present day Harrison, Stone, and Pearl River Counties. In 1853 the Courthouse in Gaines-

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This is what I expect to be the first of many messages to the community you can expect to see from me. Greetings to anyone who I've not yet met ... and there are many of you! My name is John David Brdecka. You can call me John.

My family and I moved here just over a year ago, in September 2021, when I accepted the job as the new executive director for the Hancock County Library System (HCLS). The HCLS is the organization which manages the county's five local branch libraries located in Bay St. Louis, Diamondhead, Kiln, Pearlinton, and Waveland. You may be familiar with the library that is closest to where you live. But there are five of us — overall operating as one library system.

While I grew up in the Chicagoland area, my wife Brittani, is a native of Baton Rouge, LA. We met in Biloxi. I attended Dominican University in River Forest, IL, and received my master's degree in library and information science. My background includes more than 15 years of experience at Northwestern University in Evanston (IL), and the Glenview Public Library. We have four children and reside in Diamondhead.

In this initial installment, I'm announcing publicly that the library system recently completed work on a new Strategic Plan which will help guide us for the next five-year period. This is an exciting and important step for our library system. The process that we used was guided by The Ivy Group, a small

firm based in Charlottesville, Virginia, which helped us assess the needs of our area's population through in-depth research and community engagement. The resulting plan is a tribute to many area residents and library stakeholders who contributed to its collaborative process. The new plan reflects a number of needs and aspirations, and certainly will help the library focus its resources on ways that best serve Hancock County, helping the HCLS fulfill its mission to enrich the quality of life in our communities.

Three of the major areas which were identified include: Starting mobile services to reach residents where they are, and place resources within reach of a more people; Eliminate barriers

to those who do not use the library's extensive programs and services, and target services to those who need the library's resources the most. This includes eliminating fines that discourage library patronage; and Expand the HCLS annual library card campaign to include students entering high school, as well as increasing the number of student users in grades K through 8. This will foster greater connections with families and will help us reach young people during key times to inspire lifelong learning. These three areas, along with continuing our ongoing offerings, will strengthen our organization and will help us realize service to a

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Arrest Record

Arrests logged at the hancock county justice facility from the past week. appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF.

Daniel L. Emmons, 35, probation violation
Andy L. Mclean III, 41, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle; weapon: possession, received, retained, acquired or obtained possession or dispose of stolen firearm
James N. Curry, 42, simple domestic violence simple assault
Jeremy K. Anderson, 38, trespassing
Amanda M. Aucoin, 38, contempt of court

failure to appear; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance x 2
Tyler A. Smith, 19, contempt of court failure to appear
Marquez Q. Williams, 20, contempt of court failure to appear (bench warrant)
Gary D. Crum Jr., 41, burglary; hold for other agency
Joyce M. Garrett, 35, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear
David D. Parker II, 33, weapon: possession of by felon
Xavier R. Christophe, 19, reckless driving
Joseph N. Compretta, 18, reckless driving
Scott H. Landry, 53,

misdemeanor possession of controlled substance x 2; possession of paraphernalia
Thomas L. Flot, 28, contempt failure to appear (bench warrant)
Shawn R. Murphy, 36, weapon: possession of by felon
Larry D. Sly, 43, contempt failure to appear
Alicia R. Fulton, 39, simple domestic violence simple assault
Calvin D. Haskin, 49, contempt of court failure to appear x 5
Terry J. Cox, 50, careless driving; no motor vehicle insurance; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; no drivers license or expired
Christopher M. Bor-delon, 24, shoplifting

Dana E. Nuccio, 30, possession of paraphernalia
Gerald L. Necaise Jr., 46, assault: aggravated domestic violence
Antoine Massy, 30, knowingly violation of protection order, consent agreement or bond condition or criminal sexual assault protection order
Joshua L. Spinks, 33, shoplifting
Germaine D. Lemuel, 48, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Michael P. Steinkamp, 43, simple domestic violence simple assault
Kevin Le, 30, DUI 1st offense; no motor vehicle insurance
Gerald F. Taylor, 29, assault: aggravated domestic violence

MDMR Marine Information Calendars available coastwide

SEA COAST ECHO

The agency held a photo contest earlier this year, and those chosen are featured each month and on the cover, as well as on collage pages in the calendar.
The winners of the photo contest are: Cover, Bea Hammond; January, William Lee; February, Jarred Mitchell; March, Tim Isbell; April, Amanda Phillips; May, Lucky Bui; June, Jeff Baldock; July, Roger Apperley; August, Miles Barras; September, Cruz Vargas; October, Joan McCool; November, Courtney Walker; December, Sylvia Anderson.

This year’s calendar features the offices and programs that MDMR administers to protect those coastal resources. The free calendar also contains such information as tide data, sunrise and sunset times, moon phases, artificial reef coordinates, size and possession limits for fish, boating safety requirements and Mississippi saltwater fish records.
The calendars will be available at the following locations while supplies last. Calendars will also be available at Coast bait shops.
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The Sea Coast Echo, 835 Hwy 90 Suite #8, 228-467-5473

Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, 300 S. 2nd St., 228-467-9048
Gulfport:
Gulf Coast Community Federal Credit Union, 12364 Hwy. 49, 228-539-7029
WXXV Fox 25, 14351 Hwy. 49, 228-832-2525
Gulfport City Hall, 2309 15th St. 228-868-5700
Long Beach:
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Canadian Youtuber, emkfit. She makes fitness dance HIIT videos to some of the most awesome music, including Broadway musicals.
She encourages her viewers to have fun. Her catch phrase is “wrong and strong,” meaning if we don’t perform the dance move perfectly, it’s okay. We are still getting our heart rates up and moving around.
She doesn’t make lofty promises of getting slim in two weeks or promote weird diet habits, she keeps it real and I like that.
Some people resolve to be kinder in the new year. Some resolve to save more money, purchase a new home, or whatever they might need.
I’m not saying it’s bad to have goals, because it certainly isn’t.

But, I would advise people to be kinder to themselves in the new year.
If your original resolution list doesn’t work out, don’t stress. It’s good enough that you tried.
Life does not always work out the way we plan or want it to and it sure doesn’t care about those resolution lists.
While the organizational side of me does love having a plan in place, I do know that it’s not the end of the world if it doesn’t go accordingly. We have to adapt to things that happen that we have no control over.
I think my dad’s illness taught me that lesson the most. While he bore the brunt of having to live with his kidney failure, my family and I also had to learn how to become caregivers, to make sudden schedule changes based on how he was feeling, and what ever else came up. We don’t regret any of it though, we would do it again and again.

I still have a long way to go in my journey to not sweat the small stuff. And I think that’s good. We should always be learning and remain teachable. No one knows it all, despite what they post on social media.
As far as those New Year lists go, there’s no harm in making one as long as one goes into with a sense of reality. Go easy on yourself if it doesn’t go as planned. Celebrate the small milestones and the fact that you gave it a good try.
It does no one any good to beat oneself up for failing. We are humans and it is in our nature to fail.
With that being said, I hope that everyone has a safe New Year’s celebration this weekend and I hope that we remember to not only be kinder to each other, but to ourselves as well.
Cassandra is a staff writer at the Sea Coast Echo and can be reached at cassandra@seacoastecho.com.

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broader spectrum of our population.
Going forward, this column will become a regular monthly way to communicate directly – and help promote what all the library system offers to our patrons. We aim to keep you informed of essential (traditional) and new library initiatives, the latest trends in the world of information, services, and resources that are available – mostly free of charge, or at a nominal fee. Look for the content of HCLS’s 21 Library column to deliver a stream of valuable information, tips, insights, and generally useful information to readers from children/students to

parents and families, to our area’s older citizens, and to businesses.
With such a broad menu of programs throughout our five branches, it’s a constant challenge for us to make everyone aware of what all is going on that you can take advantage of at your library. If you do not have a library card currently, we urge you to stop by one of the branch locations and sign up. It takes only a few minutes to do so. There is no cost to residents and persons who work in Hancock County. Library cardholders have expanded access to many more programs and services through virtual resources found on the HCLS Internet website, www.hcls.info.
Local residents and families who already have a library card with

the HCLS know they can move from branch to branch to take advantage of the variety of programs, services, and amenities that are available at each community branch. Libraries are not just about books and reading. That’s an important part of what many people associate with libraries. But we’re much more. We are largely funded through tax dollars, and most of our programs and services are free to the public. So, if you’re not taking advantage of the library’s resources and programs, you’re missing out!
During the last year I’ve learned a lot about the people of Coastal Mississippi. I especially admire the entrepreneurial attitudes and the resiliency that people possess who live on the Gulf

shores ... Mother Nature’s doorstep. I’ve seen first-hand the meaning of southern hospitality. I’ve encountered how important families are here and what “community-spirit” means. I’ve also been fortunate to have an opportunity to get to know some area residents who’ve made this place their final destination as retirees, as well as some others, not-so-fortunate, who’ve been displaced by life’s circumstances. All-in-all, I’m often prompted to realize how the library may not be able to respond to everyone’s needs. But we routinely bring people together, and aid people with information and essential services which help smooth out the bumps and bruises they’re encountering.
~ John Brdecka



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1. Midway between south and southeast
4. Celebrations
9. Pulpits
14. Pin
15. Rare laughing
16. Parts of the circulatory system
17. Financial term
18. Pearl Jam frontman
20. Cores of vascular plants
22. Strong sharp smell or taste
23. City in S. Korea
24. One from Damascus
28. Short message at the end of an email
29. It cools your home
30. Towards the mouth or oral region
31. Intestinal pouches
33. Boys and men
37. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet

38. Former CIA
39. A way to arrange
41. Body cavity
42. The Great Lake State
43. A type of seal
44. Stop for a moment
46. Ancient kingdom
49. Of I
50. White clerical vestment
51. Songs to a lover
55. Prices
58. Sun-dried brick
59. Where to park a boat
60. One who values reason and knowledge
64. Partner to feather
65. Sailboats
66. Actress Zellweger
67. Type of screen
68. Country singer Haggard
69. Puts together in time
70. When you hope to arrive

1. An involuntary muscular contraction
2. PA transit system
3. Leaves a place
4. Sweet greenish fruit
5. Lends support to
6. Chap
7. Singer Di Franco
8. Water at boiling temperature diffused in the atmosphere
9. Asserts to be the case
10. Doctor (Spanish)
11. Auction attendee
12. Characterized by unity
13. Soviet Socialist Republic
19. Way to analyze video (abbr.)
21. Nonclerical
24. Tree resin
25. The academic world
26. Khoikhoi peoples
27. Infer from data
31. Arrives

32. Apart
34. Takes on cargo
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Takes apart
40. Dorm official
41. Secondary or explanatory descriptor
45. Relating to wings
47. Speaker
48. Situated in the middle
52. Loop with a running knot
53. Alaska nursing group (abbr.)
54. Beloveds
56. Establish by law or with authority
57. Border river between India and Nepal
59. Millisecond
60. Revolutions per minute
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62. ESPN broadcaster Bob
63. A place to stay

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2. What was Superman's birth name?
3. In what year was the first episode of South Park aired?
4. Who did Forbes name the youngest self-made billionaire in 2019?
5. What is the longest-running Broadway show?

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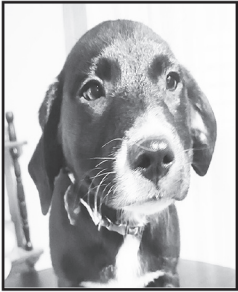
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Hancock
WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of November, 2002, James P. Osborn, an unmarried person, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Steven K. Olson, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Principal Residential Mortgage, Inc., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land Record Book 728 at Page 418; and WHEREAS, on the 4th day of March, 2019, the Holder of said Deed of Trust filed a Loan Modification Agreement of Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk of Court in Deed of Trust Book 2019 at Page 4284 WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to GSMS 2021-1 Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2021 at Page 18345; and WHEREAS, on the 26th day of May, 2021 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2021 at Page 18345; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 4th day of January, 2023, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 1 and 2, Block 631, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 6, Addition 4, Hancock County, Mississippi, per plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 28th day of November, 2022. Dean Morris, LLC Substitute Trustee 855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400 Ridgeland, MS 39157 (318) 330-9020 jeh/F18-0796 PUBLISH: 12/14/22, 12/21/22, 12/28/22

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE’S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Hancock
WHEREAS, on the 21st day of February, 2008, Wayne A Lewis and Charlotte G Lewis; as Husband and Wife, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto M&I Support Services Corporation, Trustee for State Farm Bank, F.S.B., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2008 at Page 9818; and WHEREAS, on the 30th day of March, 2015, the Holder of said Deed of Trust filed a Loan Modification Agreement of Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk of Court in Deed of Trust Book 2015 at Page 5690 WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to MEB Loan Trust II, U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2022 at Page 29322; and WHEREAS, on the 31st day of October, 2022 the Holder of said

Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2022 at Page 31979; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 11th day of January, 2023, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, DESCRIBED AS: LOT 5, PILCHER SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER THE OFFICIAL MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 3. SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS, EASEMENT, COVENANTS, OIL, GAS OR MINERAL RIGHTS OF RECORD, IF ANY. SUBJECT TO 1ST LIEN I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 1st day of December, 2022. Dean Morris, LLC Substitute Trustee 855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400 Ridgeland, MS 39157 (318) 330-9020 adp/F22-0624 PUBLISH: 12/21/22, 12/28/22, 01/04/23

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIVIAN ROUNDS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:22-cv-00509-JS
STEPHANIE M. SCHNELL, PETITIONER
EXECUTRIX’S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of December, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Vivian Rounds, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. THIS 14th day of December, 2022. s/STEPHANIE M. SCHNELL PUBLISH: December 14, 2022, December 21, 2022, and December 28, 2022

SUMMONS
TO: TERRY EVANS, KEITH SENTELL, and All Unknown Persons claiming any interest in the following vessels located in Hancock County, Mississippi: #2: 22’, 1976 white sailboat, location: near 5101 1st Avenue, Bay St. Louis, MS, no visible name, vessel registration number: LA-4513-BK, vessel hull ID number: CBC40915M76E, registered owner: Terry Evans; #4: 22’, white fiberglass sailboat, location: near 4035 Sumatra Road, Pearlrington, MS, location coordinates: N30°14.215 W89°36.569, no visible name, submerged, no visible vessel registration number, last known owner: Keith Sentell; You have been made a Defendant in cause 23CH1:22-cv-00558-CB in the IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT. The Complaint [Doc.2] and Motion for Writ of Mandatory Injunction and Other Relief [Doc.3] filed in this Court by the STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, EX REL., MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES, seeks relief against you pursuant to the Derelict Vessel Act, Miss. Code Ann. §49-27-71 (Rev.2022). You are summoned to appear and defend against said Complaint and Motion at 9:00 a.m. on the 23rd of January 2023, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse (Chancery) at 1801

23rd Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39501 before Chancellor Carter Bise and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint and Motion. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. 12/14/22, 12/21/22, 12/28/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE W. DARTY, DECEASED
ANNIE DARTY ADMINISTRATRIX
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-CV-586-JS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration on the Estate of George W. Darty, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 22nd day of November, 2022, and all persons having claim against said Estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim. THIS THE 5 Day of December, 2022. ESTATE OF GEORGE W. DARTY
By: /s/Annie Darty ANNIE DARTY Administratrix Todd N. Thriffiley Attorney at Law P.O. Box 3295 Bay St. Louis, MS 39521 Phone: (228) 467-2400 Ms Bar No. 10017 12/14/22, 12/21/22, 12/28/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
NO. 23ch1:22-383-JP
IN RE: THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF CHARLES BLAIR MONTGOMERY
BARBARA BARNARD MONTGOMERY, EXECUTRIX, PETITIONER
PETITION TO ESTABLISH HEIRS, TO APPROVE INVENTORY
AND TO DISTRIBUTE ESTATE
RULE 81 SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE THE HEIRS AT LAW OF CHARLES BLAIR MONTGOMERY, DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF CHARLES BLAIR MONTGOMERY, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in the Petition to Establish Heirs, to Approve Inventory and to Distribute Estate filed in this Court by Barbara Barnard Montgomery, as Executrix of the Estate of Charles Blair Montgomery, Deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are William Scott Montgomery, Benjamin Blair Montgomery and Saint Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church. You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 9:00 O’Clock A.M. on the 1st day of March, 2023, in the Chancery Courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8th day of December, 2022. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
By: Cassie Tribble, D.C. Submitted by Attorney for Petitioner: Jane Wallace Meynardie, MB#9990 Wise Carter Child & Caraway, P.A. 2510 14th Street, Suite 1125 Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 TELEPHONE: (228) 867-7141 EMAIL: ejm@wisecarter.com 12/14/22, 12/21/22, 12/28/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:22-cv-00522-JS
ROBERT EUGENE LUCK, JR., DECEASED
AMBER MUSSER, PETITIONER
ADMINISTRATOR’S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 5th day of December 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Robert Eugene Luck, Jr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 14th day of December, 20 22.
s/AMBER MUSSER
PUBLISH: December 14, 2022, December 21, 2022, December 28, 2022

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROL E. BOWMAN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 22-287-JP
ERIKA BOYD
PETITIONER
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)
TO: Unknown heirs at law of Carol E. Bowman, Deceased, whose residence is unknown.
You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Erika Boyd, Executor, whose address is 4512 Edgewood Avenue, Oakland, California.
The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging and seeking to establish the unknown heirs at law of Carol E. Bowman.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 17th day of January, 2023, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse at Biloxi, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the complaint.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.
Issued under hand and the seal of said Court, this 9 day of December 2022.
(SEAL)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk
BY: s/Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
12/14/22, 12/21/22, 12/28/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:22-cv-00522-JS
ROBERT EUGENE LUCK, JR., DECEASED
AMBER MUSSER, PETITIONER
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Robert Eugene Luck, Jr., deceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry. You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Amber Musser, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Robert Eugene Luck, Jr., deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Robert Eugene Luck, Jr.. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 24th day of January, 2023, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.
You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire.
ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 13th day of December, 2022.
Tim Kellar, Hancock County Chancery Clerk
s/Cassie Tribble, D.C.
Publication Dates: December 21, 2022, December 28, 2022 and January 4, 2023

SECTION 00010
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
INVITATION TO BID
ROAD 374 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
Electronic or Sealed bids for the construction of the "ROAD 374 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS" will be received by, and addressed to, Attention: HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS at 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, until 10:00 a.m., Monday, February 6, 2023. Bids will be publicly opened and read at the Hancock County Board of Supervisors meeting that is held at the Board Meeting Room at 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned unopened. The project includes stream bank

stabilization, with the placement of fill and rip rap, and the grading of roadside ditches and replacement of driveway culverts. Contract Documents may be examined at:
(1) Office of the Design Engineer, Chiniche Engineering & Surveying, 407 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis MS 39520 or
(2) Online at www.hancockcountystormwaterbids.com. Documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. For questions regarding the website, online registration or the purchase of documents, please contact Plan House at 228-248-0181.
All questions pertaining to clarification of the bidding documents shall be directed in writing to Jason Chiniche, P.E. at jason@jjc-eng.com .
Each Bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall be accompanied by the Bid Security (as defined in Section 00100 Instructions to Bidders) in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the Bid. The Bid Bond may be from a surety acceptable to the Owner satisfying the requirements specified in the Contract Documents or Certified Check upon a national (legally recognized to conduct business in the State of Mississippi) or state bank, payable without recourse to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors as a guarantee that the Bidder will within fifteen (15) days after the Notice of Award enter into a Contract. The Successful Bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the Contract amount each with a surety company acceptable to the OWNER and in a form acceptable to the OWNER.
Bids may be modified or withdrawn at any time prior to the time set for opening Bids. Bidders may not withdraw their Bids for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the actual date of the opening of the Bids.
Complete instructions for filing Bids are included in the Instructions to Bidders.
A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Board Meeting Room at 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 on Wednesday, January 11 2022, at 10:00 AM.
The Owner reserves the right after opening Bids to reject any or all Bids, to waive any informality (non-responsiveness) in a Bid, or to make award to the lowest and best qualified, responsive, and responsible Bidder and reject all other Bids, as it may best serve the interest of the OWNER.
To be published in The Sea Coast Echo and the Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) online Agency Bid Bank (<https://agencybidbank.mississippi.org>) on December 21, 2022 & December 28, 2022.
12/21/22, 12/28/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARK DUANE THOMPSON
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-CV-653 JP
BY: THOMAS N. THOMPSON ADMINISTRATOR
RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF MARK DUANE THOMPSON
You have been made a Defendant in a suit filed in this court by Thomas N. Thompson initiating a civil action alleging that he is the sole and only heir-at-law of Mark Duane Thompson and Seeking an Adjudication of Such Heirship. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint filed against you in this action at 9:00 O'clock A.M. on the 2nd day of February, 2023, at the Harrison County Chancery Court located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.
Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 13th day of December, 2022.
Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: CASSIE TRIBBLE
Deputy Clerk
Prepared by CLEMENT S. BENVENUTTI
Post Office Box 2718
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521
Telephone No. (228) 467-0744
MS BAR NO. 2435
12/21/22, 12/28/22, 01/04/23

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARK DUANE THOMPSON
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-CV-653 JP
BY: THOMAS N. THOMPSON ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 13th day of December, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi to the undersigned upon the Estate of Mark Duane Thompson, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
This the 13th day of December, 2022.
/s/ Thomas N. Thompson
THOMAS N. THOMPSON, Administrator
/s/ Clement S. Benvenutti
CLEMENT S. BENVENUTTI
Attorney for Administrator
Post Office Box 2718
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521
(228) 467-0744
MS BAR NO. 2435
12/21/22, 12/28/22, 01/04/23

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Hancock
WHEREAS, on the 26th day of February, 2020, Robert Meresicky and Julie Meresicky, Husband and Wife, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Scott Everett, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc. D/B/A Supreme Lending, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2020 at Page 5346; and
WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of November, 2020, the Holder of said Deed of Trust filed a Loan Modification Agreement of Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk of Court in Deed of Trust Book 2020 at Page 28344; and
WHEREAS, on the 31st day of July, 2020, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as Beneficiary, as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc. D/B/A Supreme Lending, assigned said Deed of Trust unto PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2020 at Page 18835; and
WHEREAS, on the 7th day of October, 2022 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2022 at Page 29885; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 18th day of January, 2023, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: LOT 13, BLOCK 140, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, A SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT THERE-OF WHICH IS ON FILE OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN BOOK 2, AT PAGE 96, REFERENCE TO WHICH IS HEREBY MADE IN AID OF AND AS A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.
I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 14th day of December, 2022.
Dean Morris, LLC
Substitute Trustee
855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400
Ridgeland, MS 39157
(318) 330-9020
adp/F22-0651
PUBLISH: 12/28/22, 01/04/23, 01/11/23

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KAREN BRUMFIELD, DECEASED
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:22-cv-00630-JS
TRAVIS WERTH, PETITIONER
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of December, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Karen Brumfield, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to

law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 21st day of December, 20 22.
s/TRAVIS WERTH
PUBLISH: December 21, 2022, December 28, 2022, and January 4, 2023

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, MS, until 10:00 a.m., January 3, 2023 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for providing the following to Hancock County, for a period of six months beginning at bid acceptance until June 30, 2023 or until a new bid is accepted: Office Supplies & Janitorial Supplies, as well as, anything vendor feels the County may need throughout the year.
Bid specifications are available, upon request, from Brittney Johnson of the Hancock County Purchasing Department, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or by calling 228-395-1506, or by visiting: <https://hancockcounty.ms.gov/departments/purchasing/>
All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope "BID ENCLOSED" and listing the bid item and bid opening date.
All envelopes must be date and time stamped and filed in the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the bid opening.
The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 21st day of December, 2022.
(SEAL)
Scotty Adam, President
Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, Mississippi
By/Valerie Fitts, D.C.
Publish Dates: December 21, 2022
December 28, 2022
12/21/22, 12/28/22

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, MS, until 10:00 a.m., January 3, 2023 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for providing the following to Hancock County, for a period of one year beginning at bid acceptance until December 31, 2023 or until a new bid is accepted: Cold Bituminous Picked Up, Culverts & Couplings, Double Bituminous Surface Treatment, Gravel & Sand, High Polymer Micro Surfacing, Hot Bituminous In Place & Picked Up, Limestone, Liquid Asphalt, Micro-Surfacing & Seals, Portable Toilet Services, Pest Control Services, Highway Signs & Highway Posts, as well as, anything vendor feels the County may need throughout the year.
Bid specifications are available, upon request, from Brittney Johnson of the Hancock County Purchasing Department, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or by calling 228-395-1506, or by visiting: <https://hancockcounty.ms.gov/departments/purchasing/>
All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope "BID ENCLOSED" and listing the bid item and bid opening date.
All envelopes must be date and time stamped and filed in the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 before 9:00 a.m. on the day of the bid opening.
The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 21st day of December, 2022.
(SEAL)
Scotty Adam, President
Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, Mississippi
By/Valerie Fitts, D.C.
Publish Dates: December 21, 2022
December 28, 2022
12/21/22, 12/28/22

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, MS, Hancock County Government Annex, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, and said bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room for furnishing the following services: NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION SERVICES – BIDS FOR PUBLISHING PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ALL LEGAL NOTICES FOR THE COUNTY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022, AS REQUIRED BY LAW.
All bids must be on file with the Secretary of the Board on or prior to the hour and date first mentioned above, and must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Bid for Newspaper Publication Services, to be opened January 3, 2023. Bids sent through the U.S. Mail are done so at the risk of the Bidder and should be addressed

to the Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.
Bids may be delivered to Hancock County Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, no later than January 3, 2023, AT 10:00 A.M.
The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and to award in the best interest of Hancock County.
Published by order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, this the 19th day of December, 2022.
(SEAL)
Scotty Adam, President
Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, Mississippi
By/Valerie Fitts, D.C.
Publish Dates: December 21, 2022
December 28, 2022
12/21/22, 12/28/22

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, and said bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room located at 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, regarding the following: BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED FROM ANY AND ALL BANKS LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY OR ANY OTHER QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF KEEPING ANY OR ALL HANCOCK COUNTY FUNDS OR ANY FUNDS OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES OR OFFICIALS ASSOCIATED WITH HANCOCK COUNTY, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTIONS 27-105-305 AND 27-105-315, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, ANNOTATED, FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS THROUGH DECEMBER, 2024. Financial institutions desiring to be a County depository must meet the requirements of Sections 27-105-305 and 27-105-315, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. Bid specifications may be obtained from the Hancock County Board of Supervisors' Office, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.
All bids must be on file with the Secretary of the Board on or prior to the hour and date first mentioned above, and must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Bid for keeping Hancock County Funds, to be opened January 3, 2023." Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the bank submitting said bids, and the County assumes no responsibility for premature opening of same by any County employee.
Bids sent through the U.S. Mail are done so at the risk of the bank submitting said bid and should be addressed to the Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.
Bids may be delivered to Hancock County Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, no later than JANUARY 3, 2023, AT 10:00 A.M. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and to award in the best interest of Hancock County.
Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, this the 21th day of December, 2022.
Scotty Adam, President
Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, MS
12/21/22, 12/28/22

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the September 16, 2016, Gary D Cooper, Sr, executed a Deed of Trust to Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, Trustee for the use and benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for New Day Financial, LLC, its successors and assigns, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust September 19, 2016, in Book No. 2016, at Page 20222 thereof;
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in October 6, 2022, Document No. 2022-29297 thereof; and
WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Wilson & Associates, PLLC, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in December 7, 2022, in Book No. 2022, at Page 33871 thereof; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that Wilson & Associates, PLLC f/k/a Adams & Edens, P.A.,

Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee, during the legal hours between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse, on January 18, 2023, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 159, Silver Creek Acres, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in the aforementioned Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 12th day of December, 2022.
Sincerely,
/s/ Jillian Wilson,
WILSON & ASSOCIATES, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
PREPARED BY:
Wilson & Associates, PLLC

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Suite 1400
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File # 354271
PUBLICATION DATES: December 28, 2022, January 4, 2023, January 11, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN NELSON, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-cv-650-MA; SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF PATRICIA ANN NELSON, DECEASED, WHO ARE UNKNOWN AFTER A DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 20th day of December, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi to the undersigned Executrix upon the ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN NELSON, deceased, notice is hereby given to any and all persons or corporate entities having claims of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 20th day of December, 2022.
Signed: Hon. Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk of Hancock County By: Bridgette Ladner Eugene J. Hoffman, IV, Attorney at Law, MS Bar No. 104994
303 Reese Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, 228-323-3330 Tel.
Publication Dates: 12/28/2022, 01/04/2023, 01/11/2023

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
WHEREAS, on April 28, 2000, Judith C. Brooks and Tommy B. Brooks executed a certain deed of trust to Perre M. Cabell, Trustee for the use and benefit of Premier Funding, a Mississippi Corporation which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, state of Mississippi, on May 3, 2000, in Book 589, Page 866.
WHEREAS, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-2, the current holder and/or assignee, substituted Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C. as Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on November 29, 2022 in Book 2022, in Page 33198; and
WHEREAS, Default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-2, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in said deed of trust, will on January 18, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 65, Fourth Ward, City of Waveland, and run South 0 degree 34' east along the Western right-of-way of St. Joseph Street for 217 feet to an iron marking the Point of Beginning. From said Point of Beginning. From said Point of Beginning run South 89° 25' west 675.83 feet to

Stennis air traffic control tower named facility of the year

SEA COAST ECHO

The Stennis International Airport (HSA) air traffic control tower was recently recognized as the 2021 Facility of the Year by Robinson Aviation.

Robinson Aviation (RVA) Inc, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, provides air traffic control tower services at 103 airports in the southeastern and southern United States on behalf of the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Contract Tower Program. Each year RVA accepts nominations from control tower managers and airport managers to select one as the RVA Facility of the Year.

Stennis Airport’s control tower was selected because of the excellent services they provide, the positive feedback received from pilot and airport management, and the community spirit they displayed after Hurricane Ida.

The location of Stennis Airport, its runway length, and the airfield navigational equipment results in a high demand for flight training. Stennis Tower provides air traffic control services to many Navy and Air Force units flying high-performance jet, multi-engine and single engine aircraft and helicopters, including T-1/T-6/T-38/T-45/F-18/C-130/C-17/B-206/H-60. They also serve Guard units and NASA, as well as serving civilian flight training.

There are two flight schools on the airport, and students and instructors fly into Stennis from outside the area to perform flight training. The fleet mix and differences in airspeed make for a challenging environment, and the Stennis Tower team performs admirably, RVA officials said.

The tower team quickly restored control tower operations following Hurricane Ida.

During the recovery period, helicopters that had been based in Louisiana relocated to Stennis. The tower team saw a 4,000 percent increase in helicopter operations flying to and from offshore platforms in the Gulf of Mexico.

The tower team blended these additional operations in with the regular airport traffic safely and efficiently. Following the Ida, the tower was without air conditioning for a period of time. The team came together in these less-than-ideal conditions, knowing that air operations were vital to expediting recovery efforts on the back side of this major storm.

In addition, the tower team collected money and donated goods to support Louisiana residents severely affected by the storm. They then contracted with a local pilot to make three round trip flights to Houma to deliver the goods and money.

As a testament to



Photo submitted

A recognition ceremony was held November 16 for the 2021 RVA Facility of the Year award. Picture, left to right, RVA’s Chief Executive Officer Keren Williams McLendon, Stennis Tower Air Traffic Manager David Kaupp, RVA’s Vice President of the Contract Tower Program Jim Slate, and RVA’s Area Manager Michael Smith.

their focus on customer service, Stennis Tower achieved obtained a score of 993 out of a possible 1000 on the annual airport flyers surveys. The airport manager gave the tower team a

perfect score on his survey.

Located in Kiln, Stennis International is Hancock County’s community airport. It features an 8,500-foot runway rated to carry the world’s

largest cargo planes. It is home to 15 aerospace companies serving both general aviation and military aircraft.

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a point; thence run South 169 feet to a point; thence run North 89° 25' East 677.51 feet to an iron on the western right-of-way of St. Joseph Street; thence run North 0° 34' West along said right-of-way to the point of beginning. Said land being part of Lot 64 and part of Lot 65, Fourth Ward, City of Waveland, and a part of the NE1/4 of SE1/4 of Section 3, Township 9 South, Range 14 West, lying West thereof Lot 64 and 65, Hancock County, Mississippi, which has a municipal Address of 525 St. Joseph St. Waveland, MS 39576.

More commonly known as: 525 Saint Joseph St, Waveland, MS 39576

I will convey only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C. Substituted Trustee

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OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

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12/21, 12/28/2022

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Jan. 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

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2022 HYUNDAI TUCSON
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Gardens helped create society, still important



Guest Column

By Gary Bachman MSU Extension/Research Professor Ornamental Horticulture Host of Southern Gardening

Most gardeners start planning their flower and vegetable gardens after the first of the year. This makes sense, as cabin fever from the winter months is compounded by a case of gardening fever due to the appearance of garden catalogs.

But it wasn’t always like this. Gardening came about as a matter necessity; in fact, gardening can take credit for the development of our society today.

When you look at the development of human culture, having a garden was a pretty big deal and was a driver in us becoming civilized. It’s generally recognized

that about 12,000 years ago, humans were hunter/gatherers following their next meal.

But right about this time period, Atouk -- who was portrayed by Ringo Starr in the 1981 documentary film, “Caveman” -- discovered that with the domestication of plants and animals, he and his family could live in one place. Agriculture was “discovered,” and it would provide a consistent food source and put an end to the constant wandering.

I’m sure that bragging about the best-tasting tomato started shortly after.

Evidence of the importance of having gardens dates back to the Egyptian Pharaohs and is documented in the elaborate tomb paintings they made of the gardens of their various kingdoms.

One of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World was the Hanging Gardens of Babylon. These gardens were said to have been built on terraces and were probably the first raised garden beds, a style of gardening still practiced today.

The story goes that King Nebuchadnezzar had the gardens built for his wife. Many modern

gardeners -- myself included -- grow flowers and vegetables because our spouses like them.

Fast forward to gardening today. My gardening friends know I have quite the home vegetable garden. I really enjoy the taste of home-grown vegetables. I start at the very beginning with starting my own seeds.

I pore over the catalogs that are already stacking up, selecting new varieties to try in 2023. With all the seed and plants we have available today, I kind of feel sorry for Atouk’s struggle. There is a bit of satisfaction in knowing that a home garden can produce good, nutritious food.

One crop I grow for my wife are fresh, heirloom tomatoes. She loves them and she loves me for growing them for her, even though I really don’t like fresh tomatoes.

Thank goodness we don’t have to rely on our gardens for everyday survival today, though some of you know how Katie and I are prepping for the zombie apocalypse.

I’m encouraged that because of COVID, we

have up to 20 million new gardeners enjoying their very own gardens. Gardening helps to build community, self-confi-

dence and reliability.

So, get those seeds ordered and have a great garden in 2023.



Photo by MSU Extension/Gary Bachman

Growing your own plants from seed is one way to keep gardeners busy before they can actually get outside.

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This shy lady is Blaize. She needs to be an only cat, and is also not good with dogs. But, this adorable, 3 year old girl is very sweet and friendly to people. She just needs a quiet spot of her own. If you are interested in giving Blaize the loving, quiet home that she deserves, please call the Hancock County Animal Shelter, 228 466 4516, for more information.

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THE SEA COAST ECHO



Hancock sweeps Bay High on hardwood

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers hosted the Hancock Hawks in a cross-county matchup on Tuesday, December 20, at the Wilmer Seymour Gymnasium/Mike Necaie Court.

The game drew the largest crowd for the Bay High venue of the season with over 500 fans viewing the action following the completion of first semester exams for both schools that broke for the Christmas break earlier in the day.

The game also had a bigger meaning to the community as both teams honored the fallen officers - Steven Robin and Branden Estorffe - who were laid to rest in Bay St. Louis following an emotional visitation and procession through the city on Wednesday, December 21.

The teams wore matching shooting shirts emblazoned with the badge numbers of the fallen officers. Prior to the start of the varsity girls' game, Bay St. Louis City Councilman Jeff Reed led the fans in a community prayer. There was also a 24-second and 35-second moment of silence counted down on the scoreboard in honor of the two fallen officer's badge numbers.

Donations were collected at the entrance of the gymnasium for the Fallen Officers Fund started by the South Mis-

issippi Planning and Development District. The donations collected totaled \$3,068 and will be given to the fund in the names of both high schools.

In the girls' game, the #3-ranked Lady Hawks (16-0) seemed to do everything right in the first half while the Lady Tigers (8-7) could not buy a basket as Hancock held a commanding 31-2 lead at intermission.

However, the Lady Tigers surged in the second half and attacked the rim and paint with a relentless attitude. Bay High outscored the Lady Hawks 27-16 in the second half as the final tally ended up 47-29 in favor of the Lady Hawks.

Hancock head coach Jamie Sisco commented, "In the first half, we played as well as we have played all season. Sometimes when a team gets a big lead over an opponent, it becomes hard to maintain the intensity. In the second half, Bay High attacked the basket, and we did not match their intensity. Bay High shot 21 free throws in the second half alone and they were able to convert many of them. We have to be able to match the opponent's intensity no matter what the score is to be able to advance."

The Lady Hawks were paced by Anslee James who scored 13 points in the game followed by Talana Bond with 11

points.

Lady Tigers head coach Kelton Thompson stated, "The first half was a perfect example of when discipline and toughness runs into a lack of discipline and toughness. Hancock is a very well coached team, and they play like a top ranked team in the state. I was very disappointed in the first half. The normal attitude is one would be proud of how the second half was played and our surge but that is how I expect us to play all the time. We have to learn how to play 32 minutes of basketball. Quality teams do not play 31 minutes of basketball."

The Lady Tigers were led by Kiara Burney and Emmalee Coote with 9 points each.

In the boys' game, the Tigers came out firing on all pistons in the first period taking a 13-7 lead but relented in the second period as the Hawks surged forward for a 20-15 lead at intermission.

In the third period, the Hawks maintained a slim 30-29 lead going into the fourth period.

The Tigers enjoyed as much as a 6-point lead until the final 38 seconds when Donte Taylor sank a three-pointer for Hancock to knot the score at 36-36.

In the overtime period, the Hawks outscored the Tigers 8-4 with Taylor scoring six of the points.

Hancock head coach

Colin Goley stated, "Donte Taylor has not been with us all season as he plays football. He is beginning to come around on the basketball court and show what he is capable of doing. He carried us at the end of the game. Last year this game was not even close, but I warned our team prior to the game that this is not the same team they played last year. This was a rival game surrounded by a large crowd and an emotional ceremony. Bay High is a well-coached team. We weathered the storm they took to us and in the end, the ball bounced our way."

Hancock (11-9) was led by Taylor with 16 points, 6 rebounds, and 2 assists.

Thompson talked about his Tigers, "Late in the game, we are up by three and are at the line, but we miss the front end of the charity shot. Hancock is a team that resembles the hard work of their coach. They are a dangerous team that can score a lot of points. For us to hold them to 44 points is what we needed to do. We were able to get more out of ourselves in this game. We were able to create some half-court offense and that was good to see. We still need to find ways to close the gap and finish games."

Bay High (6-9) was led by Avan Wilson with 20 points.



Photo by Richard Gleber

Bay High's Kiara Burney drives to the basket against Hancock's Anslee James in their game on Tuesday evening. James and the Lady Hawks beat Burney and the Lady Tigers 47-29.



Photo by Richard Gleber

Hancock's Donte Taylor (#5) lays the ball in the basket in the Hawks' 44-40 overtime win against the Bay High Tigers on Tuesday evening.

DWGA November 2022 News

BY COLLEEN JONES

There was a cold snip in the air most of November but that did not stop us from playing. November 3rd and 4th we played our DWGA Club Championship with the first day being

played on the Cardinal course and the second day being played on the Pine. The Club Champion was Liz Bell with second place being Marta Wald and third place being Cassandra Godbold. The Senior Club Champion was Karen

Dougherty, with second place being Georgeann Luxion. The Super Senior Club Champion was Jodi Crosby. The Black Tee Champion was Amy Swint.

November 10th we played a 2-person best ball on the Cardinal

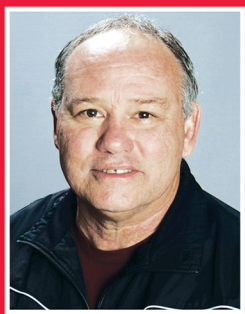
course. The winning team was Pat Ellis and Kim Knight with a impressive score of 58. the second place team was Terri Woolbright and Lottie Williams. Closest to the pin was won by Kim Knight on hole #4, Terri Garrett on hole

#13 and Margie James on hole #17. Birdies were had by Kim Knight and Bet Bowen. Margie James had a chip-in.

November 17th we had our annual Turkey Shoot-Out on the Pine Course. This tournament is when you take

your handicapp and add it to 72 to get your total strokes, When you reach that number you plant your Turkey. Whoever goes the fustest wins. Lottie Williams was the

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WEDNESDAY 12-28-22

Basketball: Bay High Christmas Tournament (Bay High boys and girls, Pass Christian boys and girls) Long Beach girls vs Bay High girls 10:30 a.m., Bay High boys vs Long Beach boys 12:00 p.m., Pass Christian girls vs Raymond girls 1:30 p.m., Gautier boys vs Parklane 3:00 p.m., Pass Christian boys vs Ocean Springs boys 4:30 p.m., Parklane vs Gautier girls 6:00 p.m.

Basketball: Biloxi Christmas Tournament (Hancock Lady Hawks), TBD.

THURSDAY 12-29-22

Basketball: Bay High Christmas Tournament (Bay High boys and girls and Pass Christian boys and girls) Bay High boys vs Gautier boys 10:30 a.m., Bay High girls vs Parklane 12:00 p.m., Gautier girls vs Pass Christian girls 1:30 p.m.,

Long Beach girls vs Raymond girls 3:00 p.m., Ocean Springs boys vs Parklane 4:30 p.m., Long Beach boys vs Pass Christian boys 6:00 p.m.

Basketball: Biloxi Christmas Tournament (Hancock Lady Hawks), TBD.

TUESDAY 1-3-23

Basketball: Bay High at Pass Christian, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.

Basketball: Hancock at Harrison Central, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.

Basketball: OLA at Perry Central, 5 p.m.

Basketball: Saint Stanislaus vs Perry Central, 7:30 p.m.

Soccer: Bay High at Gautier, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.

Soccer: Hancock vs Pass Christian, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.

Soccer: OLA vs Gulfport, 5:30 p.m.

BWYC wins Silver Lipton trophy again

BY JAMES KEATING MD

The Bay Waveland Yacht Club (BWYC) was the host of the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Cup Regatta on November 19-20, 2022. This was the 101 anniversary of this event.

In 1919, a magnificent silver trophy was presented to the Southern Yacht Club (SYC) by Sir Thomas Lipton (1850-1931) to be used as a challenge cup for sailing races. The Lipton Regatta is the premiere event of the Gulf Yachting Association (GYA) 2022 sailing competition schedule. Eleven yacht clubs entered their best Viper 640 sport sailboats in this one design regatta consisting of five races.

BWYC finished first with scores of: 1-7-2-1-2 (Total 13 points). The winning skippers of the five races were awarded the following trophies: Floyd Davis Trophy: Connor Fanberg (Crew: Jackson Benvenuti, William Trapani). J Fred Clerc Trophy:

John Marshall (Crew: Karl Kleinschrodt, Sean Garucenthurdo, Georgia Hoffstetter). Michael J. Johnson Memorial Trophy: Thomas Duffy (Crew: Michael Burns). Fourth Race Skipper: Zac Fanberg (Crew: Andrew Eagan, Kippy Chamberlain). Commodore Larry Beauvais, Jr. Memorial Trophy: Chris Alexander (Crew: Hugh Hawkins, Sam Hopkins).

The Lipton Challenge Regatta has a rich, interesting history spanning 101 years.

A few highlights include the story of the innovative Scottish tea merchant, Sir Thomas Lipton (Lipton Tea). In 1919, the secretary-treasurer of the SYC, William H. Parham, made a request to his friend, Sir Thomas, to donate a trophy “for the purpose of fostering and encouraging an interest in yacht sailing.”

Lipton, an avid sailor, had made five unsuccessful attempts over a thirty-year period to win the America’s Cup.



Photo submitted
BWYC Lipton Team: From left, William Trapani, Jackson Benvenuti, Ricky Welch, Conner Fanberg, Zak Fanberg, Smith and Andrew Eagan, Boo Heausler, Kippy Chamberlain, GYA Commodore Gary Rogers.

Lipton had lived briefly in New Orleans in his youth, where he drove a mule-driven streetcar and developed a love for the Crescent City. Lipton’s mission was to promote yachting on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

Women skipperettes sailed against other women in various GYA events, but never against

men until 1936.

In that Lipton regatta, the Houston Yacht Club (HYC) named Ms. Fairfax Moody to be helmsman (skipper) for one of the Fish Class sailboat races. This act generated a brief storm of protest by the Mobile Yacht Club (MYC). Nevertheless, after much discussion, the MYC withdrew its resolution of objection and Moody skip-

pered her race. Incidentally, her HYC Fishboat beat the MYC Fishboat in that historic event. Many women sailors have competed in the Lipton Regattas since.

In 1969 the Flying Scott sailboat replaced the Fish class. BWYC began racking up Lipton wins in 1971.

Since then, BWYC has won the coveted Lipton Trophy twenty-six

times. The Lipton Victory Banner hangs on the wall of the bar in the BWYC clubhouse. In 2019 the sailing team from the BWYC consisting of skipper Marcus Eagan, tactician Andrew Eagan, and crew Jackson Benvenuti won the Viper 640 World Championship. Indeed, there are no better mariners in the world than American sailors.

• HISTORY

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ville burned down. All land records, etc. were lost in this disastrous fire. The earliest newspaper in Hancock County was the Gainesville Advocate published around 1846.

William “Captain Bill” Poitevent (1814-1890) was an entrepreneur who migrated from North Carolina to Pearlinton and made a fortune owning and operating ships on the Pearl River and the Gulf Coast. He married Mary Amelia Russ (1819-1873) from Pearlinton. Schooners and small sloops and catboats were the principal vessels carrying freight and passengers before the advent of steamboats. Poitevant built a general store and a lumber mill

in Gainesville with the profits from the carrying trade. He also raised a herd of cattle and owned two steamboats that serviced Gainesville. In 1846 Henry Weston (1823-1912) migrated from Maine to work for Poitevent. Weston would later build a giant lumber mill in Logtown.

These early pioneer timber entrepreneurs from the aforementioned historic families of Hancock County in the later Nineteenth Century morphed into titans of the lumber business. These mills and the wealth they created were the foundation of a more modern and diversified economy in the twentieth Century.

By 1875 Gainesville had sixteen places of business: six general stores, three blacksmith shops, shoe cobbler, a grist mill, two taverns, two dry goods stores, two drug stores a telegraph office, and a number of steamboats.

Gainesville had become a major economic center and it was the best town for farmers to shop for staples. They brought their hides, corn, and butter and drove their horses, cows, hogs, and turkeys to sell at the Gainesville stores. A substantial amount of livestock was shipped by steamboat from this trading center to New Orleans.

Gainesville and Pearlinton competed during the Nineteenth Century for dominance in this competitive maritime commercial marketplace. Gainesville was a busier port in the mid century, but after the Civil War, Pearlinton emerged as the larger community and dominant commercial center. The railroads were an important stimulant to the timber industry and the Sawmill Era lasted until 1930. Nevertheless, after the railroads were built, the Pearl River was no longer the highway for commerce or travel. When the timber

mills closed down the towns along the Pearl River diminished in population. By the early 1920’s, Gainesville had declined to an almost deserted village. Daily boat service to Gainesville was discontinued.

In the early 1960’s, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) acquired 220 square miles including Gainesville to build the Mississippi Test Facility-later renamed the Stennis Space Center. NASA re-interred 141 graves from the Gainesville Baptist Church Cemetery and the Gainesville Colored Cemetery in 1964 and buried them nearby at the Spring Branch Church Cemetery and the New Hope Baptist Cemetery in Waveland. Gainesville played an important role in this early economic history of Hancock County, but today Gainesville is a ghost town, but this special place is not forgotten.

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winner, Joanne Fried was second, Kim Knight was third and Margie

James was fourth. Closest to the pin was won by Lotti Williams on hole #2, Jodi Crosby on hole #6 and Margie James on hole #13 and #15. Margie James had two birdies. Chip-ins were had by Margie James, Amy

Swint and Lottie Williams.

November 24th was Thanksgiving and we all gave thanks that we live and play in Diamond-head.



Photo submitted
Winners of DWGA Club Champions, Amy Swint, Jodi Crosby, Karen Dougherty, Liz Bell.



Photo submitted
Turkey Shoot-Out winners, Lotti Williams, Joanne Fried, Kim Knight, Margie James.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



DONTE TAYLOR

The boys basketball Player of the Week is Hancock’s **Donte Taylor** who helped lead the Hawks to a 44-40 overtime victory against the Bay High Tigers last week. In the game, Taylor scored 16 points, 6 rebounds, and 2 assists.



ANSLEE JAMES

The girls Basketball Player of the Week is Hancock’s **Anslee James**. She helped lead the Lady Hawks to a 47-29 victory over the Bay High Lady Tigers last week scoring 13 points in the game.



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Gov. Tate Reeves also spoke Wednesday.

"We pay tribute to two brave law enforcement officers whose watch has ended and who were taken from us way too soon," Reeves said, "but also today, we stand alongside the families and we stand alongside our law enforcement community to help uplift them during this difficulty. ... (Robin and Estorffe) were indeed peacemakers and our

state and this community will forevermore be better off because of them.

Bay Police Chief Toby Schwartz delivered the eulogy for Robin, speaking on his long law enforcement career, his leadership ability, his love of his family and shared love of Disney with his granddaughter, as well as his commitment to the community.

"He gave his life for what he believed in," Schwartz said. "Because of his ultimate sacrifice, Steven Robin can finally lay down his weapon and shield to rest in heaven."

Rep. Brent Anderson eulogized Estorffe,

speaking on his growing up in a law enforcement family and culture.

"Branden showed courage and maturity beyond his 23 years," Anderson said. "He did what he was raised to do."

After Wednesday's service, a miles-long funeral procession rolled down Beach Boulevard to Hwy. 90, on to Waveland Avenue, before diverting to Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, where the men were laid to rest with honors by the Mississippi Highway Patrol Honor Guard.

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one could also appreciate the true beauty surrounding us such as the glaciers, the ocean, mountains in the distance, and more. Some of the wildlife we witnessed were seals, penguins, pods of whales, orcas, and more."

It has been a whirlwind year for Bezou in 2022.

"I am very proud of what I have completed in 2022," he said. "I started out chasing the 4Deserts Grand Slam Plus and came away with the Grand Slam. Yesterday, December 27, Karen and I celebrated 25 years of marriage, and we recently built a house and moved back to Bay St. Louis.

"However, I took huge risks this year. The running part is easy. The travel, the being away from home, the financial risk to take on this challenge without sponsors, along with the injury I sustained in Finland that jeopardized all of it. But I was able to work through it. We must challenge ourselves because it is all within reach."

So, what is next for Bezou? Will he compete again? The answer to that is a resounding "Yes!"

He has two races immediately ahead of him with the Keys 100 in Florida in May and the Gobi March in Mongolia in June.

The race in Florida is a 100-mile race while the ultramarathon in Mongolia is a stage race like the ones this year. In the near future, Bezou also wants to attempt a Fastest Known Time (FKT) for the Mississippi section of the Great River Road which is a 382-mile trek from DeSoto County near Memphis along the Mississippi

River down to Wilkinson County.

Bezou is currently working on putting together a race crew and sponsors for this challenge. And his ultimate goal right now is to get selected for the Badwater 135 in Death Valley in 2024. There are only 100 applicants accepted for the race each year. And, with his competition in Antarctica complete, it is now official that Saint Stanislaus has now, literally, touched every continent on the planet.

However, in the meantime, Bezou just wants to get back in shape before the race in Florida in May.

"Believe it or not, I lost fitness this year with the demanding racing schedule I was on," he said. "The competition circuit I was on took its toll on me and affected my fitness along with the injury I am still dealing with suffered in Finland.

"I need to get better before Florida in May so that is weighing heavily on me at this moment. I want to urge everyone to understand that exceptional things are there for each of us if we just make the effort to reach them.

"Never measure yourself by another person's ruler. I could not achieve a PhD, but that does not mean I cannot attain exceptional things. One person's exceptional accomplishments are different than that of another person. Just get somewhere today and stop worrying about what others think."



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Officers salute as the procession rolls onto Hwy. 90 from Beach Blvd.

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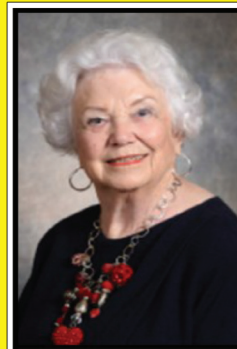
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We are very blessed and fortunate to have the VERY BEST TEAM MEMBERS. The commitment that every one of our Team members has made to the business and to our customers is second to none. We launched services in Hancock County, including the City of Bay St. Louis, the City of Diamondhead and the City of Waveland on May 1st. While we had a few challenges the first few weeks of starting service, you rose to the occasion, overcame adversities and made sure we met and exceeded the expectations of our customers. You are OUR HEROES! We would like to take this opportunity to tell of our TEAM members – THANK YOU! We thank you for all you do each and every day. Your Commitment to Excellence is greatly appreciated! We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. We look forward to having another great year in 2023.

Gus and Jack



*Merry Christmas and Happy
New Year to our loyal Customers
in Hancock County*

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We appreciate the opportunity to service you. We launched services on May 1st of 2022. There were a few challenges that we faced the first few weeks after launching our service. However, our TEAM members worked very hard and overcame those challenges. We know that your expectations are very high. We embrace this and want you to know that our commitment to you is to work hard every day to not only meet but exceed your expectations. We will never take your business for granted. Our TEAM will continue to work just as hard in 2023 as we did in 2022. Our goal will be to remain the premier Waste and Debris provider in the area.

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